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SUBJECT: PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU'S VISIT TO ROME; POLITICAL

ASPECTS OF CONVERSATIONS WITH GOI; NPT

SUMMARY: IN BRIEF (MARCH 6 AND 7) VISIT, PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU MET WITH WIDE RANGE OF WELL-BRIEFED SENIOR ITALIAN OFFICIALS FOR TALKS WHICH CANADIAN EMBASSY FOUND VERY SATISFACTORY. NO SURPRISES EMERGED BUT TRUDEAU'S EFFORT TO STRENGTHEN TIES WITH ITALY AND ESTABLISH A MORE DISTINCT CANADIAN "IMAGE" SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL. ECONOMIC/ COMMERCIAL ASPECTS OF VISIT BEING REPORTED BY SEPTTEL. END SUMMARY.

1. CANADIAN EMBASSY HAS SUPPLIED FOLLOWING RUNDOWN ON POLITICAL ASPECT OF TRUDEAU CONVERSATIONS WITH GOI AUTHORITIES. RECOUNTAL COMPORTS WELL WITH PRESS ACCOUNTS  
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AND OTHER SOURCES, INCLUDING FONMIN'S UMBERTO LAROCCA,

MINISTER, COORDINATOR OF DIRECTORATE GENERAL FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS.

2. CORE OF THE VISIT WAS TWO HOUR SESSION ON MARCH 6 WITH PRIMIN MORO AND FONMIN RUMOR AND OTHER SENIOR FUNCTIONARIES IN ATTENDANCE. IN WELCOMING REMARKS AND SUBSEQUENTLY MORO SAID GOI WAS PRESSING AHEAD WITH RATIFICATION OF NPT, WHICH HAD BEEN APPROVED BY COUNCIL OF MINSTERS AND WOULD SHORTLY GO TO PARLIAMENT. TRUDEAU RESPONDED THAT CANADA WAS PLEASED ON A NUMBER OF COUNTS. HE HAD BEEN TOLD BY DUTCH AND GERMANS THAT THEY WERE WAITING FOR ITALY BEFORE DEPOSITING INSTRUMENTS OF RATIFICATION. TRUDEAU WANTED TO SEE ALL NATO MEMBERS ADHERING TO NPT, AND WAS SENSITIVE CONCERNING SAFEGUARDS FOLLOWING CANADA'S UNHAPPY INVOLVEMENT IN THE INDIAN EXPERIENCE. MORO SAID CANADIANS NEED HAVE NO FEAR OF ILLICIT APPLICATIONS OF DIVERSIONS OF NUCLEAR FUEL IN ITALY.

3. UNDERSECRETARY OF STATE GRANELLI RAISED TWO BILATERAL ISSUES: CERTAIN PROBLEMS INVOLVING SOCIAL SECURITY (INCLUDING WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION) FOR ITALIANS RESIDENT IN CANADA, AND THE NEW IMMIGRATION POLICY NOW UNDER DISCUSSION IN CANADA. ON SOCIAL SECURITY, TRUDEAU RESPONDED THAT MUCH OF THE RELEVANT LEGISLATION WAS PROVINCIAL RATHER THAN NATION, AND ALL THE HARDER TO COPE WITH. HE SAID, HOWEVER, HE WAY SYMPATHETIC AND WOULD ASK HIS MINISTERS TO LOOK INTO IT. HE ALSO SUGGESTED THAT HE WOULD WELCOME FULL PARTICIPATION BY ITALO-CANADIANS AND ITALIANS RESIDENT IN CANADA DURING THE COURSE OF THE IMMIGRATION POLICY DISCUSSIONS.

4. NPT AND BILATERAL ISSUES HAVING USED MOST OF THE TIME, OTHER SUBJECTS WERE TOUCHED ONLY BRIEFLY. BOTH SIDES AGREED IN PRINCIPLE THAT A WESTERN SUMMIT ON CSCE WOULD BE USEFUL AT THE END OF PHSE II TO MINIMIZE DISTORTIONS FROM THE OTHER SIDE AS TO WHAT WILL HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED. RE CYPRUS, RUMOR SAID HE FELT THE EC WAS A NATURAL FORUM FOR ASSISTING THE PARTIES TO A NEGOTIATED SOLUTION. TRUDEAU AGREED, AND WONDERED ALOUD IF THE PEACEKEEPING FORCES IN CYPRUS MIGHT NOT NOW COMPRISE MORE OF AN OBSTACLE THAN AN AID TO PROGRESS. RUMOR RECITED THE ITALIAN POSITION ON THE ARAB-ISRAELI ISSUE: SUPPORT FOR STEP-BY-STEP, MAXIMUM PROGRESS PRIOR TO RE-CONFIDENTIAL

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CONVENING GENEVA CONFERENCE, RECOGNITION OF SADAT'S POLITICAL PROBLEMS WITH RADICAL ARAB STATES. THE REST OF RUMOR'S TOUR DE MEDITERRANEE INDICATED CONTINUING GOI CONCERN WITH EVENTS IN PORTUGAL, SPAIN, AND A POST-TITO YUGODLAVIA.

3. COMMENT: CANADIANS, INCLUDING TRUDEAU, WERE SURPRISED AND PLEASED AT SPECIAL MARKS OF ATTENTION RENDERED BY GOI. FOR EXAMPLE, MORO -- UNINVITED AND UNANNOUNCED -- APPEARED

AT LUNCH GIVEN BY CANADIAN AMBASSADOR (FOR TRUDEAU TO MEET  
BUSINESS MAGNATES, SEPTEL) AND AT PRESIDENT LEONE'S DINNER  
AT QUIRINALE FOR TRUDEAU. PRESS COVERAGE OF VISIT WAS  
GOOD AND ESSENTIALLY ACCURATE, DESPITE SOME EXAGGERATED  
REPORTS THAT TRUDEAU HAD EXPLICITLY MADE NPT AND SAFEGUARDS  
AGREEMENTS A SINE QUA NON FOR URANIUM SUPPLY. HE LIKELY WAS  
PREPARED TO DO SO BUT MORO DEFUSED THE PROBLEM IN HIS  
OPENING REMARKS. VOLPE

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